

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Hakim DI LODOVICO et al.	)	Group Art Unit: 2416
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Application No.: 10/596,403	)	Examiner: CHOU, Albert T
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For: DISTRIBUTED MEDIUM ACCESS	)	
CONTROL FOR BROADBAND	)	
ACCESS SYSTEMS	)	
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**AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the nonfinal Office Action issued on January 15, 2009, please amend the application as follows. A Petition for Two-Month Extension of Time along with the requisite fees are filed concurrently herewith.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.